

## **Diane Holt**

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**From:** mike\_padula@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, July 9, 2018 10:42 PM  
**To:** Beverly Barker; Diane Holt; Erik Jorgensen; Matthew Evans  
**Subject:** Case Comment Form: Michael Padula

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**Name of Utility Company:** self

**Comment:** I do not want a company from another country buying Avista and it's customers are susceptible To rate hikes.

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We wanted to let you know we are very much opposed to the sale/merger of Avista Utilities with the Canadian company Hydro One.

We feel Idaho resources should remain in full control of American companies. We do not feel Idahoians should be at the mercy of foreign companies when it comes to our water, gas and electric resources. Having rates controlled by a foreign company that typically has high rates is unacceptable.

Please fight against this merger.

Thank you.

**Diane Holt**

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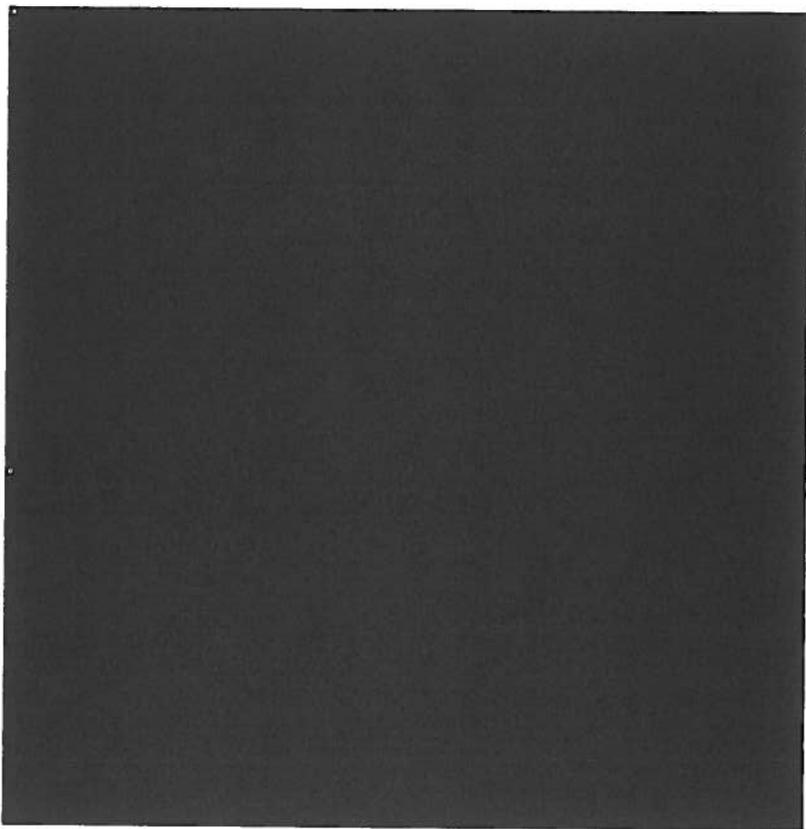
**Subject:** The Sale of Avista to Hydro One of Ontario Canada  
**Attachments:** image001.jpg; image002.png

Dear Governor Otter:  
2018

July 8,

There is a problem brewing in the State of Idaho which is of grave concern for the people of the State. I have contacted your office about this problem, however, my request was meant with immediate opposition; your office flatly stated it has no control to do anything about it. It would be up to the IPUC (Idaho Public Utilities Commission). This letter is about a company named Hydro One, an Ontario, Canada bankrupt company.

Here is a copy of the link of the CDA Press, dated Friday, July 6, 2018, so you can read the article titled: "**My Turn: Why Sale of Avista Is Cause for Alarm**". OPINION: Why sale of Avista is cause for alarm



**OPINION: Why sale of Avista is cause for alarm**

Steve Cameron's column "Pull the plug on Avista merger hysteria" in the June 28 Cd'A Press was written in a va

I have had correspondence with both the IPUC and have attended some of the town hall meetings. What Mr. Moore says is true. All of those people following this issue are against this merger; but so many others are just unaware or uninformed. Even though the IPUC has not made a decision yet, NO should be the only answer.

I would not be able to understand how or why you could leave the Governorship of the Great State of Idaho without doing everything in your power to make sure this deal does not go through. Surely you have not forgotten the many lumber tariff wars we have been in with Canada? I mention the lumber for a reason; the lumber industry in North Idaho is against this merger. Can you see the advantage Canada would have if Our Lumber Mills could not get electricity? Is turning our water power resource over to a foreign country something you want to see? Can you imagine the danger of this? People in high profile positions, that are decision makers, especially in other Avista States that struggle to balance their state budgets, could be tempted to take a generous pay off, don't you agree?

Well Sir, my Idaho would not and should not do that! We need to stand firm in this decision by using every tool we have, and make sure IDAHO does not turn over its water power source to a foreign country. I was always under the impression the Federal Government had control over these types of matters. I also believe the Governor appoints the commissioners for the IPUC? I realize other states have already sold their water power resources to a foreign entity; I ask please, do not follow this pattern for Idaho. Could you imagine the TVA (Tennessee Valley Authority) selling its water power source to a foreign country?

In closing, I will give you some reference links for facts on this sale and hope you will take a genuine interest in this:

<http://avistacustomergroup.com/>

[www.nwpoa.org](http://www.nwpoa.org)

<http://gemstatepatroit.com/blog/aughor/angelo-longisero>

<http://gemstatepatroit.com/blog/author/david-boleneus/>

Sincerely,

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